



## ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**Lent 4, Sunday, March 10, 2024**

**Service colour: Purple**

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. (also on You Tube)

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (all who are able standing)

Lighting of the Christ Candle; Doxology (830); Bible Sentence

Hymn: 442 "Speak, Lord, in the stillness"

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

**O God, who so loved the world that you gave your only Son, that everyone who has faith in him, may not perish but have new life now and forever, we join together to give you thanks for your enduring love. Glory be to you, O Lord, for the marvellous things that you have done and continue to do for your creatures.**

**Like our ancestors wandering in the wilderness, sometimes we grow impatient and lose our trust in you; sometimes fear and mistrust get the best of us and we respond harshly or panic or run and hide; sometimes we do not turn your light on ourselves as carefully as we do on the conduct of others; sometimes we live as though you are far away and had never come to live among us; sometimes, knowing well what you want us to do, we do other things. Heal us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**  
Song: 561 "Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy upon us."

Assurance of Pardon

**M.** The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **C. And also with you.**

**Hallelujah** (Hymn 294); The Passing of the Peace

Hymn: 206 (2), 643 "Lift high the cross" (all seated) Pupils gather at Chancel stairs

Lessons: Numbers 21: 4-9 (p.130); Psalm 107: 1-3, 17-22;

Ephesians 2: 1-10 (p.610); John 3: 14-21 (p.81)

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Hymn: 189 "As when the Hebrew prophet raised"

Sermon & PWS&D Lenten Reading

The Offertory

The Creed (539) & The Offertory Prayer (all who are able standing)

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for others; The Lord's Prayer (831)

Hymn: 231 "When I survey the wondrous cross"

Benediction & Choral Amen

Song: "Go now in peace" (all seated) (hymn book – inside back cover)

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Postlude

**Welcoming Worshippers:** Alex Bruce

**Elevator:** Chris McDonald

**Organist:** Dr. Ken Cameron

**Placing the Bible:** Nancy Heighton

**Reader:** E. Margaret MacDonald

**Pianist:** Cheryl Weeks

**Audio:** Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell

**Wed:** 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Hope Cottage Ministry

**Thurs:** 1:00 p.m. AMS; Roll Call Word: Prayer/Pray

**Sun:** 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Worship, Church School & Nursery

**Maundy Thurs.** 6:30 p.m. Supper (bring your own food) & Holy Communion

**Good Friday** 10:30 a.m. The Seven Words from the Cross

**Easter Day** 7:a.m. Sunrise Communion and potluck breakfast; 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion and Reception of new members by Profession of Faith

**Retirement of our Minister:** The Session invites all those associated with St. Andrew's to gather on March 31, Easter Sunday, to celebrate and give thanks for Sandy's ministry at St. Andrew's. There will be a reception in the Church Hall following the 10:30 a.m. service.

The Session invites you to contribute to the celebration of the retirement of our minister. Contributions can be sent by e-transfer to [standrewspe216@gmail.com](mailto:standrewspe216@gmail.com) indicating in the message section "retirement" or you may wish to place a plain envelope on the offering plate, marking it "retirement."

**A Land Acknowledgement:** We acknowledge that we are in the Mik'kma'ki-the unceded territory and the ancestral homeland of the Mi'kmaq Nation.

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### **Hymn 442**

1. Speak, Lord, in the stillness, speak your word to me;  
hushed my heart to listen in expectancy.
2. Speak, O gracious Master, in this quiet hour;  
let me see your face, Lord, feel your touch of power.
3. For the words you give me they are life indeed;  
living bread from heaven, now my spirit feed.
4. Speak, your servant listens, be not silent, Lord;  
let me know your presence; let your voice be heard.
5. Fill me with the knowledge of your glorious will;  
all your own good pleasure in my life fulfil.

### **Hymn 206**

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.  
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### **Hymn 643**

#### **Refrain:**

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
all the world adore his sacred name.*

1. Come, Christians, follow where the Master trod,  
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God. (R)
2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine. (R)
3. Each newborn servant of the Crucified  
bears on the brow the seal of him who died. (R)
4. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
your death has brought us life eternally. (R)
5. So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
praise to the Crucified for victory! (R)

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### **Hymn 189**

1. As when the Hebrew prophet raised the brazen serpent high  
the wounded looked and straight were cured; the people ceased to die,
2. so from the Saviour on the cross a healing virtue flows;  
who looks to him with living faith is saved from endless woes,
3. for God gave up the Son to death, so generous was that love,  
that all the faithful might enjoy eternal life above.
4. Not to condemn us, or to judge, the Lamb of God appeared;  
no weapons in his hands are seen, nor voice of terror heard.
5. Christ came to raise our fallen state, and our lost hopes restore;  
faith leads us to the mercy seat and bids us fear no more.

### **Hymn 231**

1. When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
save in the death of Christ my God;  
all the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood
3. See from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a offering far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.